

## CEMETERY COMMITTEE MINUTES September 18, 2013 3:30 pm ROOM B AUDREY P. BECK BUILDING

Present: Rudy Favretti, Barry Burnham, Jeanne Mogayzel, Mark Mogayzel, Jane Reinhardt, Keith Wilson

Staff present: Mary Stanton, Mary Landeck (Sexton)

- Chair Rudy Favretti called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.
- A motion to approve the minutes of the March 20, 2013 meeting was made, seconded and passed unanimously.
- Anita Bacon, Storrs Road, commented on the condition of her family's stones in the New Mansfield Cemetery and asked the Committee to consider cleaning some of the monuments currently covered with smog and fungus. Ms. Bacon also requested removing or replacing the broken granite post near the back road. Mr. Favretti thanked Ms. Bacon for her suggestions.
- Sexton Mary Landeck reviewed the activities and issues in the cemeteries.
   Committee members agreed to the following actions:
  - ✓ The newly broken stone in the Gurley Cemetery will be repaired by Mr. Appell at the same time he resets the found stone.
  - ✓ By consensus the Committee agreed to have Mr. Cardinal repair the road in the Gurley Cemetery as proposed with the addition of some type of processed stone. The Sexton will talk to Mr. Cardinal about adding stone and the additional cost which will be realized.
  - ✓ By consensus the Committee agreed to proceed with the engraving of the large stone for the scattering area of the Riverside Burial Grounds. Members agreed heading of the stone would read, "In Memory Of."
- Maintenance Schedules and Issues
   By consensus the Committee agreed to ask Mr. Cardinal to do the snowplowing this winter. Ms. Landeck will ask Mr. Cardinal for the estimated costs.

The following maintenance items have been addressed:

- ✓ The ruts in the Mansfield Center Cemetery which are a result of the recent tree removal have been filled.
- ✓ The sunken grave in the Jacob Cemetery has been filled.
- ✓ The ruts in the Gurley Cemetery, left by Mr. Clark, are being filled.

The following maintenance item still needs to be addressed:

✓ The hanging trees in the Riverside Cemetery need to be removed. Mr. Cardinal will be getting back to Ms. Landeck as to whether or not this is a job his team can do.

## Sonar Mapping

Mr. Favretti will speak to the Director of Public Works regarding the importance of mapping the pegs before they disappear.

## Restoration Plans

Mr. Appell has finished about 75% of the work for this year with the rest slated to be done in the next month. Ms. Landeck and Mr. Burnham will review the next group of monuments to be restored with Mr. Appell and report back to the Committee.

## Other

In response to public comments the Committee decided to not clean the stones in the New Mansfield Cemetery but agreed to move both of the granite posts on the east side of the Cemetery.

The meeting adjourned at 4:18p.m.

Mary Stanton, Town Clerk